



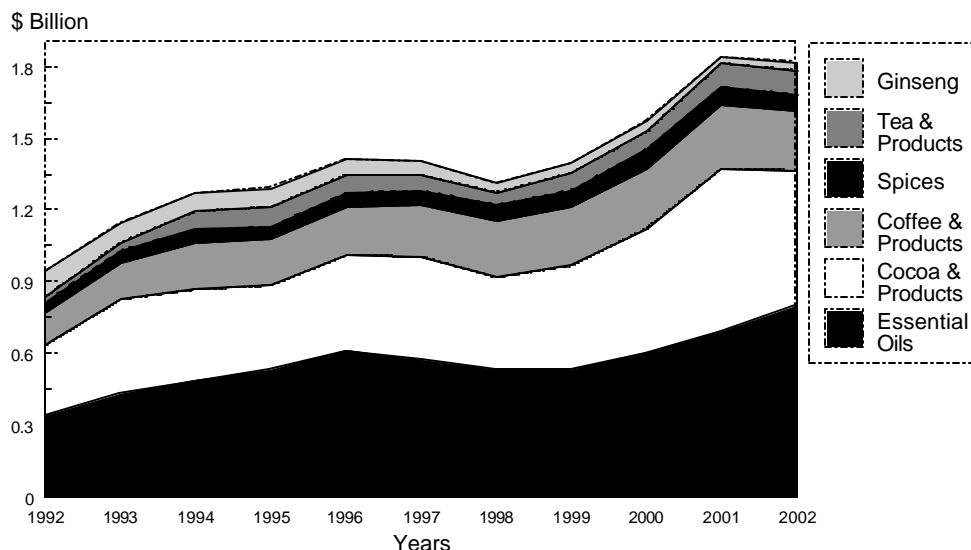
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U.S. Exports of Tropical Products* Decline Slightly in 2002



* Essential Oils and Ginseng are included in this total.

U.S. tropical product exports--essential oils, cocoa and cocoa products, coffee and coffee products, spices, tea (including herbal) and tea products, and ginseng—declined 1 percent to \$1.82 billion in calendar year (CY) 2002. U.S. exports of essential oils reached a new record of \$798.6 million, up 15 percent from 2001. The value of ginseng exports in 2002 rose to \$33.6 million, up 34 percent from the previous year. Note: Essential oils and ginseng export statistics are also included in the export value total for horticultural products in the “World Horticultural Trade and U.S. Export Opportunities” circular.

NOTICE

As of January 1, 2003, HTP will no longer be publishing printed copies of the following circulars:

Tropical Products: World Markets and Trade (This will be available on our website in March, June, September, and December.) Circulars will be released at 3:00 p.m. on the scheduled release date.

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World Horticultural Trade and U.S. Export Opportunities (Individual feature articles will be posted regularly on our website). The December 2002 issue will be the final printed version.

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